CHURCH NEWS

APPOMATTOX SUB - DISTRICT MEETING HELD

The regular monthly meeting of the Appomattox Sub-District was held at Centenary Methodist Church, Madisonville, Va., October 19. The host church presented a very good worship service, which consisted of several fine selections from the choir. The next meeting will be held at Mount Comfort on November 22. The hour has been changed from 8:00 to 7:30 during the winter months.

Hebron Baptist Church
Organized 1849
Floy W. Cox, Minister

10:00—Sunday School.
11:00 A. M. Worship. Sermon topic: "How To Have Perfect Peace."
7:00 P. M. Training Union.
Tuesday: 7:30 P. M. The W. M. S. will meet in the home of Miss Kate Davidson.
Wednesday: 7:30 P. M. Prayer and Bible Hour. 8:15 P. M., Choir rehearsal.
Thursday: 10:00 A. M. Union Thanksgiving Services at Bethel Methodist Church. Ministers in charge: Dr. Twyman Williams, Rev. Floy W. Cox and Rev. Floyd Wingfield.

Memorial Methodist Church
Rev. B. T. Price, Minister
Sunday School, 9:45 A. M.
C. W. Smith, Superintendent.
Morning Worship, 11:00 A. M. Sermon subject: "The Christ of the Empty Tomb."
M. Y. F., 6:45 P. M.
There will be no evening service at Memorial. Let us all attend the Union Thanksgiving Service at the Presbyterian Church.

NOVEMBER 26
APPOMATTOX HIGH SCHOOL AUDITORIUM
7:30 P. M.

Appomattox Court House Presbyterian Church
Sunday School, Mr. H. B. Pack, Superintendent, 10 A. M.
Worship, preaching by the pastor, 11:00 A. M.
This will be a special service for the visiting young people.
This church will be host Saturday and Sunday to about 75 young people of the Youth Fellowship of West Hanover Presbytery, who are holding their fall rally. They come from Orange and Charlottesville in the north, and Farmville in the south, representing about 40 churches.
The Council of the young peoples' work consists of the following: president, Carolyn Hazard; program chairman, Barbara Baily; secretary Charlotte King; treasurer, David Kenedy; Faith Chairman, David Marshall; Witness Chairman, Phillis Thomas; Out-reach Chairman, Frances Johns; Citizenship Chairman, Martha Johnson, and Fellowship Chairman, Victor Ludwig.
In order to attend this service the pastor will not hold his preaching service at Stonewall, but there will be Sunday School as usual.

Red Oak Baptist Church
Edgar S. Price, Pastor
Sunday School, 9:45 A. M. Rob Lucado, Superintendent.
Worship Service, 11 o'clock.
Training Union, 7:00 P. M. Berkley Cabiness, director.
The W. M. U. study course, "A Journey to Brazil," which was to have been taught last Saturday and which was postponed because of a funeral, will be held next Saturday from one to four o'clock.

Seventh-day Adventist Church
William Carey, Pastor
Saturday, November 20, 1954
Sabbath School at 9:30 A. M.
Morning Worship at 11:00 o'clock. This meeting closes "The Week of Prayer and Sacrifice." Sermon Reading: "Active Consecration."
The Pastor and many of the members will be attending an all-day Youth Rally in Ginter Auditorium in Richmond.

Appomattox Circuit
F. J. Wingfield, Pastor
November 21, 1954
Hermon Church
Preaching Service, 10:00 A. M.
Sunday School, 11:00 A. M.
Mt. Comfort Church
Sunday School, 10:15 A. M.
Preaching Service, 11:15 A. M.
M. Y. F., 7:30 P. M.
There will be a Thanksgiving Service at Mt. Comfort Church Nov. 25, at 7:30 P. M., for the entire Charge. Everyone welcome.

The '600'

The Ford Motor Company announces the new "600" Ford Tractor, longer and heavier than previous models. It features 31 major improvements, including a larger capacity hydraulic system, redesigned and strengthened power train, improved carburetion and fuel feed, and larger brakes. Easy adjustment of mounted implements is provided by an adjustable top link in the three-point linkage. Headlights and taillight with trailer connection are standard equipment. The "600" now is in production at the Ford Highland Park, Michigan, plant.

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Saturday, November 20

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To Hold Union Thanksgiving Service Sunday

. . . Miss Florence Vickland

Miss Florence Vickland, instructor of voices at Randolph - Macon Woman's College, will be the guest soloist at a meeting of the united churches of Appomattox, sponsored by the American Legion, Post 104 in the Appomattox Court House Presbyterian Church this Sunday night, November 21, at eight o'clock.

The guest artist will sing two selections: "How Beautiful upon the Mountains" by Harker, and "By the Waters of Babylon" by Howell. She will be accompanied by our local organist, Mr. Walter Dresser organist at St. Ann's Episcopal Church.

A Thanksgiving message will be delivered by William Carey, singing evangelist and pastor of the Seventh-day Adventist Church of Appomattox, whose subject will be "The Sin of Forgetfulness."

Miss Vickland was born of Swedish parentage in Ridgway, Pennsylvania, and was educated at Eastman School of Music, receiving a Bachelor degree. Winning a scholarship, the Walter Naumberg prize she continued her musical education for the next three years at Julliard Graduate School. Her debut recital was given in Town Hall, New York City.

The guest soloist has been the featured singer on numerous radio programs: Firestone, Palmolive, "The Greatest Story Ever Told" for over five years, and was soprano soloist on Dr. Ralph Sockman's Sunday morning broadcasts until coming to Lynchburg four years ago. For two years she was the leading soprano with the Chatauqua Opera Company of Chautauqua,, New York. For four years she was soloist with the Hartford, Connecticut Symphony and Chorus which presented "The Messiah" and Verdi's "Requiem" at Carnegie Hall, New York City. And she has been soloist for the past four years at the Lynchburg "Messiah" Festival.

DEATHS

MISS IDA MAE HARVEY

Miss Ida Mae Harvey, a native of Appomattox County, died at her home, 2315 Bedford Ave., in Lynchburg on November 11, after a long illness. She was the daughter of the late James William and Genera Lewis Harvey, and had made her home in Lynchburg for many years.

Miss Harvey was a stenographer for Quinn-Marshall Company from her early youth until the company went out of business several years ago.

She was a member of Rivermont Avenue Baptist Church, where funeral services were held on Saturday, November 13, by her pastor Dr. W. E. Fusselle, assisted by Dr. Graham Gilmer, of Rivermont Presbyterian Church. Interment was made in the family cemetery at the home of T. C. Harvey near Appomattox.

Survivors include two brothers, J. H. and L. T. Harvey, both of Lynchburg, and three sisters, Mrs. L. W. Warters and Miss Ada Harvey, of Lynchburg, and Mrs. Irvin Mack, of Easton, Penna., and a number of nieces and nephews.

MR. CHARLIE D. McFADDEN

Funeral services for Charlie Daniel McDaniel, 59, who died unexpectedly yesterday morning at his home here, will be conducted from the New Hope Baptist Church at 11:00 A. M. Friday. Burial will be in the church cemetery.

Born in Appomattox County on June 22, 1895, he was the son of the late James Wyatt and Nellie Bryant McFadden. He was a farmer, a veteran of World War I and a member of New Hope Church.

Survivors include his wife, Mrs. Rachel V. O'Brien McFadden; three sons, Larry Wayne McFadden, Daniel Wyatt McFadden, and Robert Benjamin McFadden; one daughter, Ellen Levirgie McFadden, all of Appomattox; three brothers Eddie McFadden, Floyd J. McFadden and Elijah McFadden, and one sister, Mrs. Lelia Almond, also of Appomattox.

CIRCLE NO. 4

Circle No. 4 of the Memorial Methodist Church will meet Friday Nov. 19 at 7:30, with Mrs. Ed Dickerson.

Liberty Baptist Church
Dr. Carl A. Collins, Jr., Pastor

Sunday School	9:45 A. M.
Morning Worship	11:00 A. M.
Training Union	6:30 P. M.
Prayer Service, Wed.,	7:30 P. M.

IFYE DELEGATES RETURN FROM ABROAD

Two Virginia 4-H club members who have been abroad the past three months under the International Farm Youth Exchange program, returned to the United States last week.

Miss Wilda Jean Adams of Gainesboro, returning from Finland, and Joe Campbell of Lebanon, returning from the Netherlands, docked at New York City on the Queen Elizabeth.

Scheduled to return home next month from Ecuador is John Thomas of Mecklenburg. Another Virginian still abroad is Miss Edith Fram, of New Kent, in New Zealand.

Also announced by the VPI Agricultural Extension Service, which conducts the IFYE program in Virginia, was the appointment of Paul Sanders, Nelson County, now assistant county agent in Roanoke, to Bolivia January 1.

Now in Virginia under the IFYE program are Samir Asmir and Ahmad Ayyad of Jordan. Both are visiting in Loudoun County.

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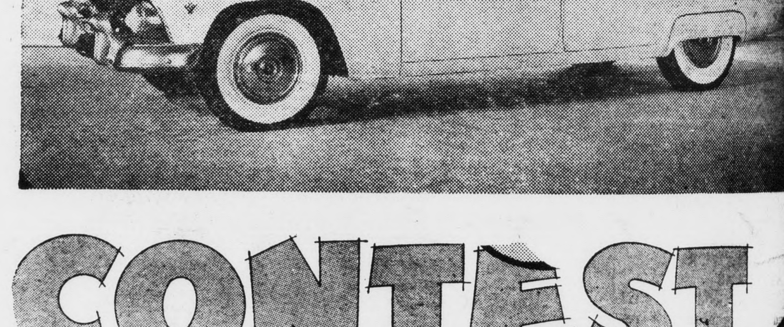

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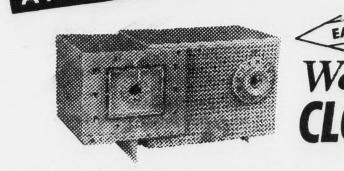

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[illegible] 62 NUMBER 47 APPOMATTOX, VIRGINIA THURSDAY NOVEMBER 25, 1954 Subscription Rate: $2 Per Year

Dark Tobacco Markets To Open Monday

The cry of the tobacco auctioneer will ring out in warehouses Monday, Nov. 29, as the 1954 marketing season begins in the Virginia darkleaf belt.

Warehouses will open in Farmville, Blackstone, Bedford and in Lynchburg. Monday after Thanksgiving is the traditional day for sale openings in the belt.

Markets will close December 16 for the Christmas holidays, and reopen in January to complete the selling season.

Experienced tobacco men predict a good season. Surveys of Type 21 leaf throughout the area indicate that the 1954 crop may total as much as 12,000,000 pounds. In addition, there will be offerings of sun cured leaf.

The price support level is just a bit below last year's, at 34.8 cents per pound. Last year it was 45.

The experts predict some quality offerings, and foresee careful attention to sorting by length and color and neat tying, to enhance the receipts to the grower.

Joel Watkins Jr., of Planters Warehouse, Farmville, was in Appomattox last week-end, and stated that he had seen some excellent darkleaf tobacco in sections of this county and predicted a fine marketing season. The quality of this year's crop may turn out to be better than normal. There are some reports of adverse effects of the long summer drouth and late planting. Spotty tobacco is not general over the belt.

There has been a period of suitable weather for taking down tobacco. Damp weather has enabled a large number of growers to be ready for the warehouse opening.

If lower grades of tobacco sell as well as last year, the average for the crop will likely be higher because there is more poundage of higher grade darkleaf.

The opening of the dark tobacco markets is an eagerly awaited event of the year in Central Virginia. Appomattox, traditionally, is the best dark tobacco producer in the Old Dominion, and the leaf contributes a sizeable portion of the income of local farmers.

Father Darkleaf

By c. h. r.

[illegible] can always count on some [illegible]ries coming out with the [illegible] season. A friend of ours, [illegible] Spring, who works in [illegible]ttox, was telling us Monday [illegible]ries of misfortunes that be[illegible] on opening day of the [illegible]. He arose early to go hunt[illegible] found that his pants were on [illegible] line. He borrowed a [illegible] from his father. Knowing the [illegible] was wet, he searched for his [illegible], but could find only one. [illegible] a pair of heavier shoes. [illegible] had no shoe strings. Final[illegible] got his hunting jacket and [illegible] to discover he had no [illegible] Just to be sure, he checked [illegible] license, and it had ex[illegible] And when he got out to his [illegible]ile, he was out of gas!

[illegible] that the time is ripe for [illegible] my annual plea for the [illegible] word "Christmas" instead [illegible]" in referring to the ap[illegible] holiday. To me, "Xmas" [illegible] meaningless substitute. Some [illegible] a friend sought to tell [illegible] arguing that the Greek [illegible] is "Chi" and was often [illegible] spelling the name of Christ. [illegible] I had my course of Greek [illegible]—passed on it, too—and at [illegible] the alphabet. But if [illegible] background justifies using [illegible] for "Christmas," it would [illegible] using "Xtian" for the [illegible] Christian" and have us say[illegible]anity" etc. It is no go. So, [illegible] to say "Christmas." And [illegible] that there is less and less "Xmas' all over.

[illegible] be added that a holiday [illegible] was observed near the date [illegible] Christmas period many [illegible] before the birth of Christ. It [illegible] Julius, who ruled the [illegible] from 337 to 372 A. D., who [illegible] that his studies set the [illegible] Christmas at December 25. [illegible] the observance had var[illegible] country to country. And [illegible], laurel and mistletoe of [illegible] Druids remain today [illegible] with our celebration, al[illegible] their use is older than the [illegible] holiday date. Martin Luth[illegible] credited with introducing the [illegible] tree into German celebra[illegible] hanging of a stocking has [illegible] to us from an old story [illegible] Nicholas dropped a purse [illegible] chimney and the purse [illegible] to fall into a stocking hung [illegible]. Incidently, it seems to [illegible] the hanging of stockings [illegible] Eve has almost faded [illegible] children in this fabulous [illegible] more than could possibly [illegible] into a stocking or sock. [illegible] in a bid for the works,— [illegible] near getting it, too.

[illegible] this talk of Christmas, but I [illegible] mention that November 24th [illegible] 22nd wedding anniversary [illegible] Darkleaf and Mother [illegible]. We were married Thanks[illegible] Day, 1932, and I have been [illegible] ever since.

[illegible] word, now. This season [illegible] year we have a guest .. the [illegible] He arrives in Virginia dur[illegible] and spends many hap[illegible] with us. The sparrow can [illegible] the cold weather, but he [illegible] when snow might cover [illegible] supply. Smart fellow. You [illegible] him, now, along roadsides, [illegible] borders, seeking the taller [illegible] The average tree sparrow [illegible] one-fourth of an ounce of [illegible]. The sparrow is in Vir[illegible] some 200 days out of the [illegible] so each sparrow accounts [illegible] 50 ounces of weed seed. [illegible] has counted the seed, or [illegible] ... but multiply each [illegible] by 50 ounces of weed seed [illegible] will agree that this visitor [illegible] welcome one .. heavens to [illegible] for him we might be done [illegible] weeds!

[illegible]OOL CAFFETERIA MENU

[illegible]day, Nov. 29.- Beef pot pie, [illegible] rice, grapefruit sec[illegible] milk.
[illegible]day, Nov. 30.- Salmon cro[illegible] boiled cabbage, baked to[illegible] milk.
[illegible]day, Dec. 1.- Weinie in [illegible] greens, mashed po[illegible] milk.
[illegible]day, Dec. 2.- Beef and [illegible] soup, saltines or bread [illegible] fruit salad, milk.
[illegible], Dec. 3.- Fried ham, hot [illegible] pinto beans, apple sauce

Amendment Defeated By 1,000 Votes

State education officials expressed disappointment last week-end at the apparent defeat of a constitutional amendment in the recent General Election, intended to ease the school construction burden of Virginia counties.

The amendment, voted on Nov. 2 would have permitted counties to borrow from the State Retirement Fund without approval of the voters in a referendum.

Incomplete Associated Press returns of a week ago showed that the proposal was ahead in the tally by a scant 439 votes, with 153 precincts remaining to be reported.

Figures from these additional precincts showed that the vote opposed to the amendment had gone ahead by about 1,000 votes.

However, confirmation of the defeat of the amendment will have to await the official canvass of the State Elections Board which meets on Monday, Nov. 29.

In many quarters, it was felt that the vote on the amendment was influenced by uncertainty over future school programs brought on by the Supreme Court decision on segregation.

In the past counties have borrowed construction funds from the iLterary Fund, but this fund has a long waiting list and has been inadequate to meet requests for loans.

THANKSGIVING DAY IN APPOMATTOX

A traditional Virginia Thanksgiving is being observed today in Appomattox. Weather conditions did not prevent many from the county attending football games in Roanoke and Richmond, and the men anticipated a day of hunting. Many kinsmen returned home for the holiday week-end.

Most business places are closed for the day. There is no mail delivery, and banks are observing the holiday. Union Thanksgiving services were held last Sunday night.

Schools are closed until Monday.

OAKVILLE HOME DEMONSTRATION CLUB

The Oakville Home Demonstration Club met with Mrs. Margaret Hillsman for the November meeting. The demonstration was on "Cleaning and Remodeling Hats and was given by Mrs. Conner. The annual Christmas party and a demonstration was planned for December 17 at Oakville school.

CALLED MEETING OF LEGION COMMITTEES

There will be a called meeting of the executive committee of American Lgion Post 104, with the building and ground committee, Monday night, Nov. 29, at 7:30, at Pulliam Motor Sales office. Comamnder R. D. Robinson requests that all members of these committees be present.

Blue Hornets Lose Title Game

Emporia High School literally filled the air with forward passes to score a 34 to 0 victory over the Appomattox High School football team here Saturday night. The game was a post-season tilt for the regional championship, each team having won the title in its own league. The Emporia school thus finished out a difficult schedule in the undefeated class.

The game was played under adverse weather conditions. A soggy field and frequent showers, prevented Appomattox from mustering an offense, and forward passing, which was the season's strong arm of the Blue Hornets, turned out to be their outdoing in the regional play-off. Wesley Newsome, the fine Emporia quarterback, was the star of the game, completing 14 of 23 pass attempts, being unmindful of the water-logged ball and mud-covered playing field.

Newsome tossed touchdown passes to halfback Billy Towell twice on plays covering 40 and 25 yards. Next he connected with Jim Everett, left end, to the Hornets one to set up another tally. In the third quarter, Newsome passed for another touchdown run by Everett from the 20. Finally, he threw to Dick Bloom from 15 yards out.

The game ended the football season at Appomattox High School. It was a successful season, despite the final game loss. The Blue Hornets had a season record of six wins and four losses, and won the district four, group two championship.

Coach Gordon Bragg will now devote his attention to basketball and eagerly awaits the opportunity to put the almost-completed gymnasium into use.

MT. COMFORT W. S. C. S.

The Woman's Society of Christian Service of Mt. Comfort Church will continue with the study course "Under Three Flags," on Sunday night of this week at the church. A drama, entitled "That Heaven of Freedom," and written by Dorothy Clarke Wilson. will be given at 7:30. This will conclude the study of the three South Asian countries of India, Pakistan and Ceylon.

The Men's Club will sponsor a Thanksgiving program on Thursday night at the church, beginning at 7:30.

F. H. A. MEMBERS HAVE VISITOR

Mrs. Emily Rickman, from Danville, Va., who is the new F. H. A. District Supervisor, made her first visit to the A. H. S. Home Economics Cottage Tuesday, Nov. 23. Mrs. Rickman was pleased with the work of the local club girls.

The girls prepared and served lunch for Mrs. Rickman, and Principal H. E. Kerr at the cottage.

Mrs. Rickman has taken the place of Miss Lois Oliver, who has gone to Washington, D. C., as Assistant Director of F. H. A.

PRESS HOUR MOVED UP DUE TO HOLIDAY

The Times-Virginian is going to press a few hours early this week, due to the Thanksgiving holiday. Any news copy reaching us too late for inclusion in today's paper will be published in next week's issue.

Philippine Teacher Visits Appomattox

Senor Miguel Ocampo, of Masbate National Agricultural School, the Philippine Islands, spent two days in Appomattox this week as guest of the Vocational Agriculture Department of Appomattox High School.

Senor Ocampo is in the United States under the exchange program of the Foreign Operations Administration. He was been in Washington, D. C., prior to coming to Appomattox, and from here will visit several American farm belts before returning to his school.

He is supervisor of a school of about 500 students. They are farm boys and girls, of high school level, seeking to learn modern methods of agriculture and home economics. The Masbate school is a boarding school, with dormitory quarters, similar to those of the Appomattox Agricultral High School in its early days. He was a visitor in the Times-Virginian office while here, and explained the agricultural problems of his native land. He had an interesting war experience with the resistance movement during the Japanese Occupation. He spoke most favorably of the value of American aid since World War II. He said growing of rice and development of livestock production, as well as a balanced farm program was the problem of the new era in the Philippines.

TWELVE-POUND BASS

The 12-pound bass which Jack Rueger caught in a pond in James City County will be entered in a national fish contest. The whopper was 27½ inches in length and 19 inches in girth. Rob Martin, assistant chief of the Fish Division of the Commission of Game and Inland Fisheries, says that upon examination of the growth rings on the scales, he estimates the bass to be a minimum of 14 years old.

GOVERNOR STANLEY LAUNCHES SALE OF CHRISTMAS SEALS

The 1954 Christmas Seal Sale campaign officially opened in Virginia on Monday. To launch this year's sale of Christmas Seals, Governor Thomas B. Stanley stated, "As long as I can remember, Christmas Seals have been a part of Christmas for me and my family, but this year the Sale has a new and greater significance .. Tuberculosis is one of the principal health problems, yet I beliece sincerely that we now have within our grasp the means for removing this hazard from our midst. While we take pride in the tremendous strides we have made against the disease, we should realize this gives us no room for complacency. Hundreds of Virginians still die each year .. TB frequently means broken homes, poverty and heartache."

CAMPAIGN ON FOR MARS HILL COLLEGE

An organized campaign to enlist the help of Mars Hill College alumni and friends in building a memorial auditorium and fine arts building on the campus has begun and will extend through December 15.

Twenty North Carolinians have been asked to serve as district chairmen for the campaign. The chairman for Pitt, Greene, Lenoir, Wayne and Wilson Counties is Miss Florence McFadden. Miss McFadden, of Greenville, N. C., was formerly of Appomattox, Va.

The building which will cost approximately $500,000 will be dedicated to the memory of Dr. Robert Lee Moore, pioneer of education in Western North Carolina.

Pamplin Fire Dept. Elects St. John Chief

The Pamplin Volunteer Fire Department met at the high school and elected the following offices:

President, Malcome Inge; vice-president, Cecil Ligon; secretary and treasurer, Stuart Farrar.

Finance committee: Stuart Farrar, chairman; committeemen: Joe Cobb, Edward Harvey, Percy Lucado and Jim Williams.

Fire Chief: Harry St. John.

Assistant Chiefs: Cecil Ligon and Richard Williams, Pamplin; John Kent Hamilton, Evergreen; James Pugh, Madisonville; and George Shorter, Darlington Heights; William Hix, Hixburg.

Fire Drill will be held at the fire house each Wednesday at 7:30 P M. Everyone is welcome.

TRI-HI-Y NEWS

Saturday, Nov. 20, a District Convention of the Hi-Y met in Lynchburg. At this meeting officers for the District and for the Model General Assembly were elected. Appomattox was honored in that two A. H. S. girls received high offices. Edna Gregory was elected co-president of the Senate for the Model General Assembly next April. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. K. C. Gregory. Edna is a Senior in high school. Betty Mitchell was elected to the office of vice-president of the District. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. V. Mitchell. Betty is a Junior in high school.

Defense Fund Drive Now On

The annual drive for the United Defense Fund is now under way in Appomattox.

County treasurer G. B. Buchanan is serving as chairman for this drive. Gene Paulette, at the Farmers National Bank, is campaign treasurer. Contributions may be given or mailed to either of these, and in addition an organization of solicitors for the fund is being set up.

The United Defense Fund includes the USO, and other groups rendering great service to the armed service and defense of the nation. A generous response is requested from th people of the county.

SHANHOLTZ LISTS TIPS FOR SAFETY WHILE HUNTING

Last year in Virginia eight hunters lost their lives in hunting accidents. These tragic accidents point to the necessity of practicing safe hunting habits, according to Dr. Mack I. Shanholtz, State Health Commissioner.

Many of these accidents resulted from the careless handling of guns, the Commissioner said. "While you are resting, before you start walking or before you put the gun in the car, always break and unload it. Before crossing over or going through a fence, unload your gun and place it on the other side of the fence. Never hand a companion a loaded gun," he cautioned.

Dr. Shanholtz noted that in addition to safe hanlding of guns precautions should be taken to protect the health of the hunter while on hunting trips. "Men who are not accustomed to tramping in the woods should be careful not to overexert themselves. Stop and rest for a few minutes every hour or so. If you wear heavy boots or shoes, loosen them when you eat or rest because heavy leather and tight lacing restrict the circulation," he added.

"Strong, warm, and light clothing is best to wear for hunting. Be sure to wear a bright colored cap or shirt, preferably red, so that other hunters can see easily in the woods.

"Hunting is a great sport and a healthy recreation when it is practiced safely. Be careful in handling your gun. Know where your partner is before you shoot; don't get overtired. You'll come back home from a wonderful sport—alive and refreshed," Dr. Shanholtz concluded.

TOWN CLEAN-UP WEEK STARTS MONDAY

A Fall Clean-Up Week begins in Appomattox Monday, Nov. 29. The Garden Club asks the cooperation of local citizens in an effort to improve the appearance of property in the community. The town truck will cooperate in hauling off trash.

HAZEL MOON Y. W. A.

The Hazel Moon Y. W. A., of the Spout Spring Baptist Church, held its regular monthly meeting on Nov 19 at 7:30 with Mrs. Alice Layne. The following girls gave talks: Mrs. Eunice Simms, devotional, Finding the Way; Mrs. Betty Franklin, A Brazilian Traveler; Mrs. Alice Layne, A Soldier's Friend; Miss Claudine Jennings, His Way, My Way.

The next meeting will be held on Dec. 18, at 7:30, with Mrs. Eunice Simms in the home of Mrs. Sadie Covington, of Vera.

EVERGREEN P.-T. A.

The Evergreen P.- T. A. met on Monday night. Mrs. J. K. Hamilton, the vice-president, presided. The devotional period was conducted by Mrs. Vera Bruce and Mr. H. C. Staples. "Journey Toward Freedom" was the program topic.

During the business period a committee was appointed to help the teachers with the Christmas entertainment for the children. A motion was made and seconded to buy indoor games for the children.

Demonstration Club Schedule

Schedule of meeting of the home demonstration clubs for the week of November 29:

Thursday, Dec. 2.- The Oakgrove Home Demonstration Club will meet with Mrs. N. T. Evans at 10:30 A. M. The demonstration will be given by Mrs. L. P. Petty and Mrs. C. S. Rush Members bring covered dish for lunch.

Thursday, Dec. 2.- Rocks Home Demonstration Club will meet at 7:30 P. M. with Mrs. Edward Ranson. Mrs. John H. Ranson will give the demonstration.

Friday, Dec. 3.- The Piney Ridge Home Demonstration Club will meet at 2:00 P. M.

The subject for demonstration will be "Teas and Receptions."

Highway Department Starting Secondary Road Marking Work

A program to provide better marking on many roads in Virginia's 40,000-mile secondary system has been started by the State Highway Department and should be completed during the summer of 1956.

Highway engineers described it as "a most important step" in providing a better sign system on the secondary roads.

Expansion of the program on a state-wide basis was authorized by the department after the results of a "pilot study" of improved signing on secondary roads in Southamptor County were analyzed.

The main objectives of the program are to develop a uniform sign system and to put directional markings, where necessary, on selected secondary roads to facilitate travel.

To be selected for signing, a route must be a principal hard-surfaced road, serve a city or incorporated town, an unincorporated town or village recognized for its importance to the county or a point of state or national historical interest.

The new signs will be installed in accordance with a schedule which will coordinate the program in all counties and which is expected to be completed not later than June 30, 1956.

"As a result of increased travel on the secondary system, the department believed better directional signing was necessary," S. D Crute, secondary roads engineer stated. Due to a variety of conditions, he explained, directional marking in the past has not always been properly integrated or uniform. "Under the new standards, we hope to correct those inconsistencies," he added.

In addition to the directional sign program, the department will continue its policy of using secondary route numbers at intersections.